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Dear Allen:

Attached are two supplements to the recent report on "Opinion Trends in the Aftermath of Geneva," September 23. They cover a number of opinion trends since Geneva -- relevant to the forthcoming Foreign Ministers Conference and to Far Eastern issues -- not treated in the earlier report.

Among the points brought out in these reports, you may be interested in further indications of a rather sharp decline in popular feelings that the Soviets are "insincere," and at the same time in the seeming lack of interest among the general public in Western Europe in a number of the vital issues that confront us. Better-informed opinion, on the other hand, reflects much greater interest in real problems and generally provides an encouraging degree of support for measures that uphold the Western Alliance.

Interest in Far Eastern problems seems to have receded. One result of this seems to be a greater willingness on the part of Western Europeans to accept our policies in that area without undue criticism.

Sincerely,

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Attachments